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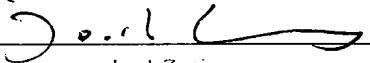
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This is in response to the final Office Action mailed on November 1, 2006.

Please amend the claims to read as indicated in the listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin at page 6 of this paper.